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H. R. 2726

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 18, 2013

Mr. MILLER of Florida introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Long-Term Care Vet-
5 erans Choice Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS CONTRACT AU-**
2 **THORITY FOR TRANSFER OF VETERANS NON-**
3 **DEPARTMENT MEDICAL FOSTER HOMES.**

4 Section 1720 of title 38, United States Code, is
5 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
6 section:

7 “(h)(1) At the request of a veteran for whom the Sec-
8 retary is required to provide nursing home care under sec-
9 tion 1710A of this title, the Secretary may transfer the
10 veteran to a medical foster home that meets Department
11 standards, at the expense of the United States, pursuant
12 to a contract or agreement entered into between the Sec-
13 retary and the medical foster home for such purpose. A
14 veteran who is transferred to a medical foster home under
15 this subsection shall agree, as a condition of such transfer,
16 to accept home health services furnished by the Secretary
17 under section 1717 of this title.

18 “(2) For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘med-
19 ical foster home’ means a home designed to provide non-
20 institutional, long-term, supportive care for veterans who
21 are unable to live independently and prefer a family set-
22 ting.”.

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